Since the adjournment of the recent convention, therefore, the question

arises: what has all this cost? Those who have opened their pocketbooks for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the great republican meeting in St. Louis are now beginning to consider the inroads which the convention has made upon their private resources.

In regard to the cost of the convention, however, some few matters may be considered. According to the Chicago Times-Herald, the aggregate cost of the late republican convention in

St. Louis is no less than \$4,000,000. This, of course, includes not only the erection of the buildings in which the convention assembled, but also the daily expenditures of the several thousand people who were drawn to St. Louis during the week. Including delegates, newspaper correspondents, private secretaries, clerks and visitors, there were no less than 100,000 people added to the population of St. Louis.

Estimating five cigars to each stranger in the city, there was no less than \$300,000 spent for cigars alone. Including the increased amount of business which fell to the share of the saloons, as well as the enormous revenue which accrued to the various hotels in the city during the convention, the estimate which places the cost of the great republican gathering at \$4,-000,000, is no doubt conservative.

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Perhaps the most remarkable process on view at the Royal Society's reception was that for producing illustrated magazines and newspapers entirely by photography, dispensing with engravings and "half-tone" blocks, and even with typography. Reels of sensitized paper rush through machinery which may be compared in principle with the rotary web printing

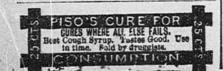
In place of typographic cylinders you have cylinders of transparent "negative," illuminated from the inside, which "print" the sensitized paper with great rapidity as it passes round them. Thence the web passes through "developing" and "fixing" baths, and finally emerges in out sheets ready for binding. The letter press is even "set-up" photographically by a kind of typesetting machine, so as to produce a negative of each line automatically, It is said that a popular illustrated monthly will, in all probability be produced by this method before long.

ANNA IVOR'S REQUEST.

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ELSIE MASON'S LESSON.

BY HOPE DARING.

and the fields covered with the golden stub-ble of recently harvestof birds, gradually to verse-making.

A week later Jo rays of the sun began to beat down. The air had not lost sat reading.

the dewy freshness of early morning. But early as it was the day's work at Bruce Farm was well under way. The farmer and his men were in the fields, in the kitchen Huldah, the stout German girl, was busy over the dishes, while the mistress of the house, calm, Saxon-faced Margaret Bruce, was churning out on the back porch.

It was a delightful spot for a morning hour. A screen of morning glory and trumpet vines allowed only an occasional dancing ray of sunlight to enter. Margaret made no discord in the harmony of the quiet scene. Tall, erect, head well poised, firm scarlet lips and smooth brown hair. Even should be the name of her new poem. her neatly fitting dress of indigo b'ue That's why so many girls' faces are artistic eye.

While she was briskly raising and lowering the dasher of the old-fashioned stone churn, a song on her lips, s step was heard on the walk.

"Cousin Elsie," Margaret exclaimed brightly, "you are an early caller. Don't tell me you have no genius for housework when you can get out to make calls as early in the morning as

Elsie Mason shrugged her shoulders in silence. She was a gypsy-faced, girlish-looking creature, ten years younger than her cousin. Elsie had een for two years the wife of John Mason, whose farm adjoined that of Margaret's husband,

"How do you suppose I did it?" Elsie demanded, sitting down on the top step and fanning herself with her

"Did what?" Margaret queried. "Managed to get over here so early in the morning."
"I'm sure I don't know."

"Well, I" tell you" -- there was an he speaker. "We had breakfast late. late. It didn't take us long to eat. The coffee was muddy and the muffins she glanced around the tastily furhat, and here I am see. See?"

your table?" she questioned.

"It will be all ready for dinner,"
Elsie said flippantly. "I did intend to put the butter and cream in the rerigerator, but I forgot it. The bed bread set, and nothing planned for -oh, I wish I had done differently."

There was a moment's silence. proceeded very slowly, while she studied the face and form of her coasin.

Elsie's abundant black hair was twisted in a rough knot. Her bangs had apparently been uncurled for several days. As for her pink cambric there was only one word to describe it, and that word was-dirty.

'Well, why don't you scold?" Elsie asked in the tone of a defiant child. "I am afraid it will do no good,"

a change in my life-I would not care what it was. But I'd rather die than go on in this poky fashion." No reply. Margaret raised the cover

of her churn to look at the smooth her ghastly face. mass of cream. That was all. After moment Elsie want on pettishly. "It's all very well for you. You have a girl."

"And I have three children, three hired men and the milk of our cows. boards John's help, and you do the work for two in the family."

A little emphasis on the word "do" deepened the pink on Elsie's cheek. I am fitted for better things," she began loftily. "Fate never intended tried to realize it all. me for a farmer's wife." "I agree with you. Why did you

marry John?" "Because I loved him, of course. genial surroundings and prosy life

that makes me miserable." "With all John's patience he is only human. You may some day wake up to the fact that you have ruined both your lives. The poetry and congenial right in their place. But you are losing the chance to live the sweetest of all poems, the helpful life of a loved

wife, and wasting your-" "You are cruel, Margaret," Elsie interrupted hotly. "I wish I could die. Then, perhaps, you all would be sorry for your unkindness to me." 'Oh, we would forget it then and

sing your praises. You remember -'Sweeter woman never drew breath

With your poetic knowlege I don't need to remind you of the fact that it was after the flood that Elizabeth's mother-in law said so. So if you were to die I do not don't that by the time John married again he would forgive even the muddy coffee and -"

"That is enough. I came to you for comfort, not insults, and Essie, wiping her eyes, hurried down the path in the direction of her own home. Margaret smiled a little as she carefully moved the dasher to gather the golden butter, but the smile was followed by a quick sigh.

As for Elsie, I wish I could affirn that she was so impressed by her after a little. "See, John, I've turned consin's words that she went home and over a new leaf." began to mend her ways. But truth self upon the unmade best and in- clous black raspherries and cream. like his breakfast, except that strong to sell the farm. I was disappointed. tes took the place of the coffee, and a I am so sorry—" loaf of baker's bread brought from "I am stot," she interrupted him.

of the dishes. She had really intended The Home Queen.

ROM the sunny pastures | to wash them all, but an interesting and the fields covered subject for a poem came in her mind. with the golden stub- So the dishes were left, and, with dirty dress and unbrushed hair, the young oo ed grain came the song wife sat down to devote the afternoon

> A week later John Mason came hurriedly into the room where his wife "Elsie, I must go to Hatfield at

> once. I cannot return before tomorrow night. Will you get me some dinner while I dress? I must catch the 1.20 train at Layton." What have you got to go to Hat-

field for?" "Business. I'll tell you all about it when I get back," and hurried up-

Elsie really evinced very little interest. She listened to the message he left for the help, and also to his suggestion that she go to Margaret's for the night, while trying to decide if "Solitude" or "Soul Hunger"

"John didn't kiss me" she thought print, her gingham apron and her after his departure. "He remembers pare, shapely arms were pleasing to an | that I told him last week that such things were silly. I don't believe he has kissed me since." A few minutes later she went to the

secretary to copy the poom that was to make her immortal. As she let down the writing table a letter dropped out. She stooped to pick it up when it fell from the envelope. The first word arrested her attention-

DARLING-Meet me at Hatfield to-night. Must see you, cannot live unless I do.
Yours with undying love.
Genevieve.

Mechanically the wife returned the etter to the envelope and replaced it in the secretary. Then she tottered to a chair and tried to think. John, her husband, false! It could

not be! And yet there was his sudden departure, his refusal to tell his business, and, above all else, the letter. "How could he?" she cried. "He knew I loved and trusted him, and that I would have died for him. Oh,

John, how could you rain our once happy home and break my heart!" Suddenly she remembered Margaralmost wicked gleam in the soft black et's words. Surely she had not been eyes upturned to the placid face above to blame. At first she had been so happy, and then had come the longing John was in a hurry to drive to Lay. for congenial surroundings. John had tor, and somehow when he is in a never said much when she bemoaned hurry meals have a fashion of being her fate, but of late there had often been a cloud upon his brow. Then You see, there wasn't a thing nice. their home. She shuddered a little as I made-there wasn't any bread-were nished but disorderly parlor. In the horrid. Breakfast over I put on my adjoining room stood the table from which her husband had risen. A soiled Mrs. Bruce looked grave. "And cloth, the dirty breakfast dishes, a bit

"But, John, I love you!" she cried, is unmade, the sweeping not done, no throwing herself upon the couch. "I

Time passed and still she lay there, dry-eyed and despairing. The rosy moment in which Margaret's churning light of the setting sun stole in at the west window and rested carelessly on her tossed hair, but she did not move. At last a knock at the door aroused

She went wearily to open it. On the threshold stood Mark Seymour, a wrapper with its tern garniture of lace, farm hand who had formerly been employed by John.

"Good evening, Mrs. Mason. called for that packet of papers I put in John's care when I went hunting. I saw him as he took the train at Layton Mrs. Bruce said gently.

"Oh, I am so tired of everything,"

Elsie cried. "If there could only be upper pigeon holes of the secretary." and he said you would get them for me. He said they were in one of the It was only by a strong effort of will that Elsie was able to comprehend what he said.

"Be you sick?" he asked, noticing

She murmured something about a bad headache and advanced to the desk. As she took down the papers she started. It was from this same compartment that letter had dropped. Here it was-and the envelope bore You sell your milk, the tenant farmer name of Mark Seymour, and the postmark was April 14.

Elsie never could tell just how she managed to get rid of the talkative Seymour. When she found herself alone she sank upon her knees and

It was dark when she rose. She lighted a lamp and the light showed a tace glorified by a great joy. The first thing she did was to gather up all John is well enough. It is the uncon- of her poems. She used them to start a fire in the range, heated water, and began a vigorous attack upon the dirty dishes.

She spent the night alone. The tenant house was near and she was too happy to be afraid. She worked until surroundings you rave of may be all a late hour, and was up early the next morning.

John Mason did not reach home until late that afternoon. A dejected look was upon his face as he strode up the walk.

"I'm glad I didn't tell her." he thought. "She would have been so disappointed. I must get rid of the farm some way. Elsie will never be happy here. How different our life is from what I thought it would be!" He opened the door and Elsie was

in his arms. "Tell me you love me, John," she cried, clinging nervously to him. Tell me you will overlook the past and commence anew." He held her at arm's length and

carefully studied her intently. Her hair was arranged in the way he admired it. She wore a fresh cream lawn, and in her belt was a bunch of scarlet carnations. "What is it, Elsie?" he asked almost sternly. Then, seeing her lip quiver,

he drew her close to his breast. love you, my wife." "Come to supper," she said galvly

The tea table was faultlessly apread. compels me to admit that she went There was fresh bread and cake, his straight to her own room, threw her- favorite salad, broiled chicken, lusdulged in a good cry. Regarding John "But. Elsie," he said, his face Mason's dinner that day it was much clouding, "I went to Hatfield hoping

Layton was a decided improvement "Bat I am sorry I have been such a dunce. Don't sell the farm, dear I'll on the mussions of the morning.

After the meal was finished Elsie show you how I can manage a farmistlessly gathered up and washed part house. I've had a lesson, John,"-

GEMS OF ROYALTY.

RARE SPECIMENS COLLECTED BY THE WORLD'S MONARCHS. The work of

Courts-The Peacock Throne Set With \$30,000,000 Worth of Gems.

ARGE gems have always had a great charm to the Orientals. for them than the Europeans. The Orient hides within her jealously gnarded palaces many fire collections owns the Victoria diamond, for which n l curious. The Maharajah of Baroda uid \$100,000 for the 125-carat Star the South, and also bought the 225carat pale yellow De Beers diamond exhibited at the 1889 Exposition. According to the testimony of S. G. V. Benjamin, at one time United

States Minister to Persia, the late Shah had a very remarkable collection of gems, estimated to be worth between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000, but it is almost impossible to get reliable information about them, so closely are they guarded. The same may be said of the Sultan of Turkey's collection, valued at over \$10,000,-

When the English took possession eagerly for the fabulous treasures has any. which it was supposed this Oriental monarch possessed. They were doomed affections be esteemed; and such will to disappointment. Nothing of any special value was found, the far-famed | thy life as thy deeds. ewels consisting of a miscellaneous ot of poor emeralds and rubies, Many of them were of large size, but so inferior in quality that the English regalia could not be enriched by adding show you what the real smallness of any of them. So little are they valued that they are now exhibited in glass cases in the Indian Museum in Lon-

Of all the costly wonders that the contained, the most wonderful and is good and require it, you will aspire the most costly was the peacock throne. This was constructed during the reign of Shah Jehan, and was the work of a Frenchman, Austin, of Bordeaux, who had sought refuge at the Mogul's court. It was estimated that the value of the stood in the centre of the beautiful Hall of Private Audience, and was named after the figures of two peacocks standing behind it, their tails its possibilities of evil, and will bebeing expanded, and the whole so inlaid with sapphires, rubies, emeralds, pearls and other precious stones of appropriate colors as to represent life. force, and he makes room for many. The throne itself was six feet long by Society is a troop of thinkers, and the four feet wide; it stood on six massive costly gems, and a fringe of pearls breeds clouds. ornamented the border of the canopy. Between the two peacocks stood the figure of a parrot of ordinary size, said to have been carved cut of a sin- California orange crop recently by jewels that ornamented the trone,

block of white marble now marks the spot where it once stood. Catherine II. and Peter the Great of and collected fine examples of the at Moscow. Here are thrones studded parate case are placed all the jewels it about like a bank of fog. - Jacksonworn by the Empress and Grand ville (Fla.) Times-Union. Duchesses on state occasions; and very large pink diamond which belonged to Peter the Great. In state silver and gold ware this collection is unsurpassed, and her monarchs have been purchasing continuously for

possessions. Probably the more luxurious and resplendent mirror is now in the range in the distance, she was buried, Louvre, Paris, originally possessed by Queen Marie de Medici. It is of rock crystal, and the frame was of polished agate set in a network of enamelled gold. This was but the inner frame. The outer one was composed entirely of precious stones, consisting of serdonyx, jasper, rubies, emeralds and diamonds. When the inventory of the crown diamonds was taken in 1791 by order of the National Assembly, this work of art was valued at \$30,000, It

is now in the Louvre. The English royal collection has been a gradual growth. The present repository of the English regalia is the Tower of London. After the execu-Tower of London. After the execu-tion of Charles I. some of the older Also Grandam of Norlaine, one-year-old res objects were broken up and dispersed. and at the restoration it was necessary to reconstruct many of them for the King's coronation. Nearly all the historical pieces date no further back than the time of Charles II. The ancient regalia comprises two crowns, an the Black Prince, The crown con- destroyed, tains in all 2788 diamonds, 277 pearls, eleven emeralds.

stones. These pieces were used at the weight of the machine, with men, coal coronation of the Austrian kings, or and water, is 6500 pounds.—New for their domestic service. A vase in York Journal.

| the same collection is formed of a single Peruvian emerald weighing 2680 carats, which is said to have been part of the treasure of Burgundy. Here, also, is the imperial crown of Austria, made during the reign of Rudolph II. It is of pure gold, richly adorned with Fabulous Treasures of the Oriental diamonds, pearls, and rubies, The circlet is of gold, encircled with large flat diamonds and pearls, two ranges of deeply set pearls decorating the border. The upper border of the circlet is adorned with four large and four small fleur-de-lys ornaments bearing large rubies, diamonds, and pearls. who have always paid more The skeleton of the cap is composed of broad stripes of enamel, accompanied by a range of pearls on either side of the hoop which divides the cap into of jewels. The Nizam of Hyderabad two balves. Each half is formed by two triangular plates of gold, on which he paid \$2,000,000. The Maharajah the principal scenes of the coronation of Tanjore is likewise possessed of a are wrought in bas-relief. The hoop rich store of gems, many of them rare is surmounted by a little cross adorned by a sapphire of matchless beauty. This is one of the most remarkable specimens of German goldsmith's work

WORDS OF WISDOM.

kind .- New York Sun.

extant, and in point of value and gen-

eral workmanship is unique of its

Pains-taking is gains-making. Book borrowers are generally good

ook keepers. The man who sits down to wait for golden opportunity to knock at his door will need a thick cushion on his chair.

The trouble with the man who is al of the palace of King Theetaw at | ways talking about what he'd do if he Mandalay. Burmah, they searched had plenty of money, is that he never Such as thy words are, such will thy

> thy deeds as thy affections; and such The true way to be humble is not to stoop till you are smaller than yourself, but to stand at your real height against some higher nature that shall

your greatest greatness is. It is always hard to go beyond your public. If they are satisfied with cheap performance, you will not easily arrive at better. If they know what and turn until you achieve it. But from time to time, in history, men are born a whole age too soon.

Leave children an accumulated fortune of memories and inspirations and examples and hopes, so that they are throne was £6,000,000 sterling. It rich in brain and heart and soul and service. Then, if you happen to leave them a fortune besides, if they have all these, the fortune will be shorn of come an instrument of higher and

nobler good. There is always room for a man of best heads among them take the best feet, which, with the body, were of places. A feeble man can see the solid gold inlaid with rubies, emeralds, farms that are fenced and tilled, the and diamonds. It was surmounted by houses that are built. The strong man a canopy of gold supported by twelve sees the possible houses and farms. piliars, all richly emblazoned with His eye makes estates as fast as the sun

Scientific Horticulture. The serious injury inflicted on th

gle emerald. On each side of the throne frost has naturally had the effect of stood an umbrella, one of the Oriental | bringing out a large number of plans emblems of royalty. They were formed for the future protection of the orange of crimson velvet thickly embroidered groves in California. One inventor and fringed with pearls, the handles, asserts confidentially that any orange eight feet high, being of gold studded tract can be fully protected against with diamonds. It has been held that the severest frost that the State is ever the famous Kohinoor was one of the likely to be visited by. His plan is to create an artificial fog, which overand as this diamond, now in possession hangs the trees, and keeps them from of Victoria, was owned by Shah Jehan, harm. It is a familiar fact that there the story may be true. When Delhi is no danger from frost on a cloudy was sacked by the Persians under Nadir | night; the clouds prevent the rapid Shah in 1739 the throne was plundered | radiation of heat from the sarth, and of its jewels, broken up and carried thus serve as a sort of blanket. A away, with \$750,000,000 of loct. A fog, which is an earth cloud, serves the same purpose. The orchard provided with the fog-making device is underlaid by a system of small pipes Russia were lovers of precious stones, that carry water. Connected with these are perpendicular pipes, which jewcler's art, which are preserved, rise to a height of forty feet in the together with other precious relics in air. At the top of these pipes, which the Kremlin in the Ouregens Palata, run 100 to every ten acres, are two "cyclone nozzles," which discharge with diamonds, rubies, turquoises, the water in a fine spray in an upward pearls, emeralds and sapphires; an direction. When the water is turned orb containing a ruby weighing forty- on the air is said to be charged with a nine carats, and swords and scimitars | fine fog-like mist. The turning on is thickly studded with gems. The jewels done either automatically or by an proper, which are enclosed in cases, electrical arrangement, which is actuinclude workmanship of Renaissance, ated when the thermometer runs down Byzantine and Persian handiwork, all to freezing point, or by the watchby master hands. The wealth of gems | man, who is awakened by the sound used is amazing. Stones cut and un- ing of an alarm attached to a thermocut, some of the largest size, suine in stat whenever the air becomes cold these regalia. Most wonderful of all enough for the orchard to need its is the coronation crown of Catherine | mantle of mist. It is said that within I. made especially for her by order a few minutes of the turning on of the of Peter the Great. There are 2358 water in the pipes and spray nozz'es diamonds in this crown, and over the the mist fills the air to a height of prow is a magnificent ruby. In a se- forty-five feet, and any breeze drifts

among diamonds the gems galore is a A Fitting Monument to a Famous Mother of Trotters.

Green Mountain Maid, writes Hamilton Busbey, in Scribner, had sixteen colts and died in 1888. On a bill three centuries, and never selling their at Stony Ford, overlooking the Wallkill Valley, and matching in grandeur the bold front of the Shawangunk and the spot is marked by a tall shaft of red granite with this inscription at IN REMEMBRANCE

> GREEN MOUNTAIN MAID, The Great Mother of Trotters and Producers of Trotters. Donn, 1862; Dizz, 1888,

STONY FORD, DAM OF (1837) ELECTIONEER. Prospero.....2.2) E aine.......2.20 Dame Trot....2.22 Mansfield.....2.26 2.28 Paul...

This stone was erected, A. D. 1889.
By Charles Backman,
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Indianapolis is operating a pneuorb, a sceptre with a cross, a sceptre matic street sweeper with great sucwith a dove, a long sceptre of gold, a cess. It consists of an engine mountring with a raby, and several minor ed on wheels and drawn by horses. articles. The most conspicuous and valuable object in the collection is the nel-shaped hood hangs down under crown of Queen Victoria, made forher the wagon, with its mouth near the coronation in 1838, many of the jewels street surface. The current of air being of great antiquity. In one of the crosses in front of the crown is set and dirt up into the wagon, where it the famous ruby which belonged to is carried to the farmace and there One of these machines (four of them

five rubies, seventeen sapphires and are in operation and more being built) will sweep 136 squares of 10,000 In the treasury of the imperial and square feet each in twelve hours. royal house of Austria, at Vienna, are This means about ten miles of travel. some remarkable specimens of work in The machine is operated by three rock crystal, ewers, flagons, and tank. horses and two men. Two two horse ards, ornamented and engraved with wagons haul away the sweepage of elaborate scenes and landscapes, and three machines. The gutters are set with enamel, gold, and precious swept by the machine also. The

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

WASHING BICYCLE GLOVES

The chamois gloves in white and light shades which are worn by bycyclists may be washed in the following manner: Make a lather with Castile soap and warm water, using a spoonfal of ammonia to each quart. When the water is topid put the gloves in and let them soak for a quarter of an hour, then press them with the hands, but do not wring them. Rinse in fresh cold water with a little ammonia added. Press the gloves in a towel. Dry them in the open air after previously blowing to puff them out .-New York Sun.

WASHING THE PIANO.

Having been told repeatedly that the best way to clean a piano case was to wash it with soap and water, says a correspondent of Good Housekeeping, I somehow never could quite make up my mind to try it after all, for it seemed as though the soapy water must surely spoil the brilliant polish in spite of all assurances to the contrary. But when our beautiful piano began to look dull and milky, and I realized that the time had come when something must be done if I would have it restored to its pristine splendor, I determined to find out if possible all about it, and then to make the experiment resolutely if I became convinced that it really was the best

Accordingly, the first opportunity which presented itself was taken to ask the piano tuner about it, knowing that he was sent out by one of the oldest and most reliable firms of the

"Certainly," he replied in a tone so convincing as to quite banish doubts. 'Just let me have a dish of tepid, soft water, a cake of soap and three pieces of clean, sleazy Canton flan-

When I had brought the articles designated, he at once proceeded to show how it was to be done.

"Take the first piece of cloth and wet it," he said, suiting the action to the word, "then rub it over the cake of soap and apply it to the pisno-a small portion of the surface at a time. Next wet the second piece, and with this rub off the soap as thoroughly as possible. With the third piece dry the part, rubbing it till it shines brightly, and do it all as quickly as possible, that the soap may not remain too long upon the polished surface."

I was delighted with the result, and no longer felt any hesitation about continuing the work that he had begun. If one is very sure to get a thin, cheap quality of Canton flanuel and is careful to follow directions as here given, success is certain,

RECIPES.

Crisped Crackers — Split butter

Crisped Crackers — Spli crackers and spread with butter; put them, the buttered side up, into a pan and brown in a hot oven. They are delicious in fish chowder and oyster stews. White-Sugar Sirup .-- One cup sugar

one-third cup water, one teaspoonful butter. Boil the sugar with the water until it thickens -htly. Add the butter and serve hos as soon as the butter is melted. Sago Soup-One quart stock, two tablespoonfuls sago, one scant tea-

spoonful salt, one-half saltspoonful

pepper. Wash the sage and cook it in boiling salted water half an bour, then add to the boiling stock and serve. Gluten Gems-Two cups of gluten flour, one-half teaspoonful salt, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, one tablespoonful sugar, one egg, two cups water. Sift the baking powder with the flour, add the water, sugar and salt, and the beaten egg. Bake in very

half an hour. Steamed Rhubarb-Wash, peel and cut the rhubarb into inch pieces. Put it into a double boiler, add sugar in the proportion of one cup of sugar for a pint of fruit, and cook till tender. before.' Do not stir it. If the rhubarb is very sonr pour boiling water over it and let it stand five minutes, then drain and steam. Serve cold.

Rice Crusts-Cook one cup cold boiled rice in the double boiler with one-half cup milk until the rice is very soft. Add one tablespoonful of sugar a salt spoonful of salt, one beaten egg and flour enough to make it hold together. Spread on a tin having the mixture one-third of an inch thick. Bake in a very hot oven till brown.

Split and eat with sirup. Jumbles-One-half cup of butter, one cup sugar, two cups of flour, two eggs, one tablespoonful milk, one heaping teaspoonful baking powder. Cream the butter, add the sugar, milk and beaten egg, and the baking powder mixed with the flour. Roil out the mixture one-third of an inch thick, cut with a doughnut cutter, sprinkle granulated sugar over, and bake a delicate brown.

Curried Eggs- Boil six eggs thirty minutes. Remove the shells and cut into halves and sprinkle with a pinch of salt for each half. Melt one tablespoonful of butter in a frying pan; add one heaping tablespoon of flour mixed with half a tablespoonful of curry powder, Pour on slowly one cup and a half of milk, Add one small half teaspoonful sait and a dash of cayenne pepper and simmer all together for ten minutes. Add the eggs and when warmed through thoroughly serve in a shallow dish.

Misunderstood.

Fiancee-Oh, Charley, I love you so much. You are all I have in this He-My gracious. If this is so I

will have to break our engagement, -Texas Siftings.

IT SOUNDS LIKE A MIRACLE, ONE OF THE BRAVE BOYS IN GRAY RELATES A REMARKABLE STORY.

Mr. C. L. Farris, While a Member of the 38th Mississippi Infantry, Contracts Disease and Suffers for Years---He Finally Recovers, and

Mr. C. L. Farris l.

Tells the Story of His Cure. from Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn. What in many respects is a remarkable Miss., near the thriving town of Utica. ake, a postoffice even miles from Utica, and at the present time he is an object of considerable curiosity throughout the community, for it was he who was cured of a chronic case of rheumatism

of over thirty years' standing. A Commercial-Appeal reporter having been detailed to see Mr. Farris, drove out to his store at Duko. Mr. Farris, who is postmaster, was busy working up the mail, but

cheerfully to an interview.

Mr. Farris is 62 years of age, but one would never suspect that he carries so many years upon his shoulders, for he is as erect, his step is as scringy and his eye as bright as if he were only half that age. He is a perfect picture of hearty old manhood.

"To begin with," said he, "I suppose you want to know how I was cured of rheumatism? Well, it was remarks, le. I had altism? Well, it was remarka le. I had al-most given up all hope of every being cured.

Why, sometimes I couldn't walk for weeks at a time. I suffered constantly and was never entirely free from it. "I had tried two specialists in New Or-leans, one in Vicksburg, one in Atlanta and two in New York and never gained anything more from them than temporary relief, some-times not that.
"One day I was reading a newspaper—I

forget now which one—and my attention was attracted by an article on Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. It stated that they were good for rheumatism and I determined to get some of them and see if there was any virtue in them. I went to Vicksburg two
days later and purchased six boxes and after
taking the pills according to directions, the
severe attack of rheumatism I was then suflering from vanished, and I have never felt twinge of it since, and that has been over "Write you a letter for publication? Why

certainly, with pleasure. It will be nothing more than common humanity to sufferers from rheumatism to let them know how they can be cured."

Mr. Farris went to his desk and after writing a few minutes handed the reporter the

DURE, HINDS Co., Miss., Jan. 2, '96. "This is to certify that I contracted rheu-matism during the war, in 1862, while a nember of the Thirty-eighth Mississippi Infantry, C. S. A., and up to a year ago I was a constant sufferer from it, sometimes being unable to walk. The first attack confined me to my bed for three months.

"About eighteen months ago I saw an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills,

and so the next time I went to Vicksburg I bought six boxes. I began taking them according to directions and by the time I had taken the six boxes the rheumatism went away and I have never felt a particle of it "I know that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are responsible for the cure. It has been over a year since I took the pills and I firmly be-

lieve I am permenently cured.
"I take pleasure in recommending them to all who suffer it in rheumatism, and feel confident that if taken according to direc-tions, they will cure any case of the kind. I have taken probably a barrel of medicine and have tried every specialist of note in New Orleans, Vicksburg, Atlanta and New York and have been kept poor scratching around to get money to pay them with, and I never got any relief until I used Dr. Williams' Pink C. J. FARRIS. Pills, C. J., FARRIS,"
Messrs. Terrell Bres., druggists, of Utica,
corroborate in every detail the statement and
letter of Mr. Farris, and added that since his

wonderful cure their sale for Pink Pilis had been something Thenomenal and a number of people had used them not only for rheu-matism, but for extreme nervousness, and a number of other disorders, and all had derived great benefit from them.
Dr. G. W. Eilis and Messrs. S. E. Dudley & Son, the other druggists of Utica, gave substantially the same testimony as the Messrs Terrell, and all spoke very highly of Mr

dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in tulk, or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Number of Stars.

The latest computation on the stars visible in both hemispheres puts the number of such shining orbs up to the high mark of 109,000,060. The astronomers have odd ways of estimating the number of these brilliant points of light, says the St. Louis Republic. By figuring from the apparent diameter of the full moon, it is shown that the arena of the whole sky visible to man (in both hemispheres) is 41,125 square degrees. The area of the whole star space, according to this mode of reckoning, is only equal to about 200,000 times the area of a full moon, figuring that the moon's apparent diameter at that time is slightly over half a de-

This would give 2,424 stars to each equare degree, or a total of a hundred millions, which would be equal to 500 stars on each space in the sky as large hot buttered gem pans in a hot oven as a full moon.

Depression. "Talk about hard times," exclaimed the man with a big neck and a paperweight diamond in his cravat-"talk about hard times! I never seen any thing like what we've been through,

the surprised inquiry.
"Did I notice it? Why de farmers hez been so poor dey couldn't indulge in de ordinary luxuries. Look in de newpapers an' see fur yerself. Dere

"Did you-did you notice it?" was

where dere useter be a dozen."-Washington Star. Didn't Know the Ropes.

He had been in deep thought for several minutes. "The man who said it was cheapen to move than to pay rent-" he began at last.

"Well" said the patient listener, as he paused. Thus encouraged, he tried again. "The man who said it was cheapen to move than to pay rent," he said,

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'evidently always did his moving on

some other day than the 1st of May.'

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frames: remember that Pearline, when it takes the dirt off, leaves the paint on. Haven't you noticed that certain imitations are

not so particular about this? Millions Pearline

vealed the power of the sulphate of zinc to absorb sunlight and give it back in the dark. Poudre de riz made with this mineral gives a soft luminosity to a fair young face. A lady cyclist dusted over with this powder is in herself a lamp on a pitch sure has been effected in Hinds County, dark night. The luminous pigment is not liable to be speiled by damp, by carbolic said or by any weak said. It resists rain if united to some strongly adhesive body. There is a house in the Rou de Longchamps where a windowless set of rooms are lightened with it. The lady of the house receives there friends at "five o'clock." The apartment seems bathed in moonlight, the curtains are as if studded with glowworms, the ceiling scintillates. as soon as he had finished he accoded very The furniture looks as if rubbed with phosphorus. The play of this light on colored objects gives one the impression of Aladdin's underground palace. Often they take the rich, glowing tones of the topaz, ruby and emeral. This powder does not lose its brilliancy if used in starch or size. A black dress trimmed with lace made

A New Illuminant.

M. Henry is a French savant of the

school of higher studies, who has re-

luminous by it is more than bewitch-Making it Pleasant for Him.

"I wants to git a white man arrested fer incendiary trespass or somefin," said the perturbed colored gentle-

"What's ut? asked the policeman. "Man hired me toe rake leaves out his vard, an' when I was most froo he say, 'Mose, dat wouldn't be no hard wuk at all ef you was doin' it fer fun, would it?' Au' I say, 'Dat's so; wuk fer fun ain't nebbath so tirin' as wuk fer pay.' Den he say. 'Al right; I des not pay you an' dat will mek it easier fer you. Always like to help pore labrin' man along.' Now, wouldn't dat jar you .- Indianapolis Journal.

Triplets Lived Over Eighty Years.

The death in Pennsylvania of one of the remarkable triplets has occurred, and the aged trie, who have lived almost eighty-two years, are now separated. Mrs. Amos Brandt, who resided in Marlborough township, expired recently. She was a daughter of Rev. which stated that they were a sure cure for rheumatism. I decided to get some of them George Reller, deceased, and was the first of the triplets to die. The survivors are Tobias and Jesse Reller. Her age was 81 years, 11 months and 9 days. She was the mother of sixteen children, ten of whom survive. - Baltimore American.

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